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HAWAIIAN QUESTION

Debate In the Senate This Week on Annexation.

CENSUS BILL ALSO ON THE CALENDAR

Civil Service Debate In the House to Be Probably Concluded Tomorrow—What It Has Proved—Appropriation Bills to Be Discussed.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—Interest in the senate proceedings for the week centers in the promised debates of the treaty for the annexation of Hawaii. Senator Davis has given notice that he will move an executive session of the senate for consideration of the treaty each day until the treaty shall be finally disposed of. The prevailing opinion is that the debate will not be prolonged on the treaty, but theories as to the length of time vary all the way from a week to a month.

The opposition to the treaty assert that they have no disposition to prolong the discussion, owing to their confidence in their ability to defeat the treaty. They claim 35 votes in opposition and state that among these there will be more than one Republican. Senator Morrill adheres to his original determination to oppose the ratification resolution, and he is preparing a speech on that side of the question. The name of Senator Money on the Democratic side is added to the list of supporters of the treaty, making five Democrats who will certainly favor annexation. Senator Butler (Pop.), whose position has not heretofore been generally known, now announces himself as opposed to ratification.

It may be accepted as true that if the opponents of annexation become thoroughly convinced that they can secure the one-third vote necessary to accomplish that end they will allow the vote to come without delay, reserving any dilatory tactics to which they may be disposed to resort for use in connection with the consideration of the joint resolution for annexation which would follow the defeat of the treaty. This resolution would require only a majority vote, and it is conceded on all hands that the annexationists have the necessary majority.

In open session the calendar presents many subjects that may receive attention, including especially the immigration and the census bill, the latter affording a basis for speeches upon the civil service. Senator Fairbanks has given notice of a speech on the immigration bill tomorrow, and Senator Butler will speak on his resolution on providing for the election of federal judges by the people some day during the week.

Forecast of the House.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—The civil service debate, which has been in progress in the house during the past week, will be concluded probably tomorrow, when the vote will be taken on a motion to strike out the appropriation for the maintenance of the commission. The motion is foredoomed to defeat, so that the political contributions to the literature of this vexed question will eventuate in nothing.

The debate, however, has served to define the position of the members. It has proved that comparatively few of the enemies of the system are willing to go to the length of voting for the repeal of the law. It is claimed that a preliminary canvass of the Republicans of the house has developed over 100 on that side who are willing to vote for a modification of the law. If with these could be combined the Democratic opponents of the law, many of whom are against the entire law and desire to see it wiped off the statute books, they would probably command a majority. But quite a number of Democrats whose hostility to the law is outspoken say they will not vote for modifications of the law which will simply result in the removal of Democrats from office and the substitution of Republicans.

They prefer, if it is not to be repealed, to see the law stand as it is. The entire Populistic strength will oppose every motion to repeal or modify the law. After the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill is out of the way either the agricultural or diplomatic and consular bill will be taken up. An urgent deficiency bill will also be ready, so that the remainder of the week except Saturday, set apart for paying tribute to the memory of the late Representative Milliken of Maine, will be occupied with appropriation bills.

The diplomatic and consular bill is very likely to cause extended debate on the pending foreign questions—Cuba, Hawaii, the situation in the Orient, etc., any one of which could be made a fruitful theme of discussion. It is understood to be the intention of the Democrats to force the Republicans to define the administration's position toward Cuban independence during the debate.

Burning of a Summer Hotel.

PUTNAM, Conn., Jan. 10.—Jacob's hotel, a private summer house, situated opposite the town hall in Thompson, was entirely destroyed by fire. The loss will be upward of $5,000. It is thought the fire was set by tramps, who occasionally made the place a rendezvous since it was closed at the end of the season. The hotel was owned by John Jacob of New York.

Dervishes Massing Their Forces.

CAIRO, Jan. 10.—The dervishes continue massing their forces at Metemmeh and Shendy, between 80 and 90 miles below Khartum and Omdurman, and there is great activity at Omdurman with forwarding of supplies to that point. Nothing is known here in confirmation of the report that the French mission under Captain Marchand has arrived at Fashoda.

Magowan at Atlantic City Now.

ATLANTIC CITY, Jan. 10.—Ex-Mayor Frank Magowan of Trenton and his two sons arrived in this city yesterday. They are at the St. Charles hotel.

MAIL COACH STOPPED.

Uncle Sam's Postal Bags Stranded When the Stage Horses Were Seized.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Jan. 10.—Near Twenty-nine Palms, in the heart of the Colorado desert, is a man whose novel way of collecting a debt has brought him into conflict with Uncle Sam's mail. The man has been working for a stage company which runs mail coaches between Twenty-nine Palms and some desert mining camp. The company owed him money and was slow in paying. So when the stage left, a few days ago, he was at a convenient place with a shotgun and ordered the driver to stop.

The passengers at first thought it was a case of stage robbery, but the man said they could go their way. He did not molest the treasure box or mail pouches. He simply said he wanted his pay and intended to take the stage horses as security. So he unharnessed the animals and drove them to his corral, and has been caring for them ever since.

The mail and coach are still standing on the desert, but it is expected the horses will be restored, as Deputy United States Marshal Pourade has gone to the scene. The man who committed this offense has a ranch and stock, but was evidently unaware of his crime in interfering with the delivery of the mails.

Horace Porter Gives a Dinner.

PARIS, Jan. 10.—General Horace Porter, the United States embassador, and Mrs. Porter have entertained at dinner Mme. Carnot, widow of President Carnot; the Turkish embassador, Munir Bey; the Duc d'Auerstaedt, grand chancellor of the Legion of Honor, and the Duchesse d'Auerstaedt; Tching Tchang, the Chinese embassador; Captain Carnot, Princess Isenburg Birstein, M. Paul Deschanel of the chamber of deputies, Mr. and Mrs. Newberry, Mr. and Mrs. Cane and Mr. Henry Vignaud, secretary of the United States legation, and Mrs. Vignaud.

The Steer Mansion Burned.

PROVIDENCE, Jan. 10.—The Steer mansion, one of the best known residences along the shore of Narragansett bay, was totally destroyed by fire at Nayatt. The mansion, which was originally built by the late Henry J. Steer at a cost of over $30,000, was owned by Dr. E. D. L. Parker of this city and contained over $1,500 worth of furniture. The cause of the fire is unknown, and the only reason that can be assigned for its destruction is that it was the work of an incendiary.

Found Dead In a Field.

STAMFORD, Conn., Jan. 10.—The dead body of J. W. Selleck, a well known resident, was found yesterday in a field near his house in the southwestern section of town. Medical Examiner Rowell, after viewing the remains, gave it as his opinion that death was due to apoplexy. The deceased was about 60 years of age and was possessed of considerable wealth. For several years he served as a selectman. He leaves a widow and two sons.

Say Panama Canal Is Feasible.

COLON, Colombia, via Galveston, Jan. 10.—Mr. Lyman E. Cooley, the well known engineer of Chicago drainage canal fame, and other engineers bound for Nicaragua have carefully examined the Culebra cut extending from Pedro Miguel to Bas Obispo. They are unanimous in admitting the feasibility of the Panama canal along that route, alleging that the obstacles to be overcome elsewhere would be greater.

General Alger Seriously Ill.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—The members of the family of Secretary Alger are seriously disturbed about his illness. His physicians now fear that he has typhoid fever, and if this diagnosis should prove correct the outcome will be in doubt from the start, as the secretary is in no condition to contend with the disease.

Physician Dies of Blood Poisoning.

CAMDEN, N. J., Jan. 10.—Dr. O. W. Braymer, a member of the staff of surgeons of the Cooper hospital in this city and a prominent physician, died in this city yesterday from blood poisoning, supposed to have been brought on in an operation performed in the hospital on Friday last.

For Brazilian Trade.

NEW YORK, Jan. 10.—Senhor José Antonio de Aranjo e Vasconcellos, a Brazilian lawyer and economist of high reputation, is in this city on his way to Washington to confer with President McKinley on the question of benefiting the trade relations between his country and the United States.

Destructive Fire In Maine.

GARDINER, Me., Jan. 10.—Fire at the icehouse of the Independent Ice company's plant at South Gardiner destroyed the stables, boarding house and four horses. Loss $8,000; partially insured.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

There is a serious grain blockade at Galveston.

A crisis in the engineers' strike in England is reported imminent.

Felix Hanna of Exeter, N. H., committed suicide by cutting his throat.

The British fleet at Esquimault, B. C., will soon be the largest ever massed there.

Grover Cleveland has resigned office as trustee of the New Jersey Historical society.

Two Seminole Indians were burned alive by a mob on the Oklahoma border for murder.

Governor Hastings of Pennsylvania has issued a proclamation for aid to the starving Cubans.

Lucius Horniak, a dead miner at Excelsior, Pa., is said to have been boxed up for dead when he was really alive.

Philip Connolly has been arrested, suspected of participation in the desecration of Mrs. Phœbe Tilton's grave at Millville, N. J., on Nov. 7.

KILL MEN TO ORDER

Charges Against Cook County (Ills.) Asylum Officials.

DOCTORS COULD CHOOSE SUBJECTS.

An Educator Asserts He Was Told He Could Have the Cadaver of Any Patient at Once if He Wanted It.

CHICAGO, Jan. 10.—Serious charges are made against the Cook county insane asylum at Dunning. It is asserted not only that employees sell bodies of the dead insane to colleges for dissection, but that insane patients are killed to supply the demand for cadavers.

The author of the charges is Dr. William Smith, demonstrator of anatomy at the American School of Osteopathy in Kirksville, Mo., a graduate of the University of Edinburgh.

Several bodies were stolen from the morgue of the asylum on Oct. 24, and after a long search they were traced to the American School of Osteopathy in Kirksville. Dr. Smith came here and purchased the bodies. He has since been indicted for stealing the sheets in which they were wrapped, there being no law against the theft of the bodies.

Hank Ullrich, a watchman at Dunning, is said to have been the person who got the bodies for Dr. Smith. He is charged with having boiled bodies in a vat of the asylum laundry and allowed the bones to be placed in the Luetgert sausage vats as the bones of Mrs. Luetgert.

One of the bodies purchased by Dr. Smith was that of John Humpel. He says the man did not die of acute mania, as the Cook county records showed, nor of consumption, as was printed, but from shock and concussion, resulting from blows on the back of the head and other injuries to the body.

"I was offered my own selection of subjects among the living patients at the Cook county institution while I was on the ground securing that consignment of bodies," said Dr. Smith. "The proposal came from one in authority in the institution. It filled me with unutterable horror, and I put a prompt quietus on the official's revelation.

"This offer was made while we were in the morgue looking over the material. 'What can you do with a freak, doctor?' this man asked me. 'We have one in the asylum, and I can get him for you.' 'What kind of a freak is it?' I asked. 'It is a man or a woman—blamed if I know what to call it—which has been on exhibition in the city museums as the bear man,' he said. 'It went daffy over a Circassian beauty or a snake charmer, is a real fancy freak, with six fingers on each hand, and can walk on all fours. If you'll take it, you can have it for $50.'

"'Why, he's still living. I only want dead ones,' I said. 'That's all right, doc. Just say you'll give me the $50 and you can take him in one of those trunks. He's in the "killer ward," and they'd just think he'd wandered off,' he said. I was dumfounded. 'If there's none here that suits you, just come around tomorrow,' he said, 'and go through the wards and point out the ones you want. You can get them by tomorrow night.'"

Professor Smith says Hank Ullrich told him there was a regular traffic in the bodies of the dead at Dunning, which are supposed to be laid away in potter's field, and that the undertaker, if he found there was no body in the coffin he buried, never said anything, as he was paid anyway.

D. D. Healy, president of the board of county commissioners, which has charge of all the county institutions, perused the charges of Dr. Smith last evening and admitted that Hank Ullrich might have offered to sell the bodies of the patients before they died.

"But," said Mr. Healy, "he never sold and delivered any that way. I regret exceedingly the exploiting of this scandal. The Dunning institutions and the County hospital are in better condition than ever before. I am particularly sorry for Superintendent Lange, who is the best officer we have ever had in his position at Dunning.

"One insignificant employee has betrayed his trust. We will have him punished. If we could get hold of Dr. Smith we would do as much for him, but Governor Stevens of Missouri will not give him up."

Another Fight For McCoy.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 10.—A contract to fight 20 rounds for $1,000 a side within four months before the club holding out the greatest inducements has been signed and left with Harry Weldon at The Enquirer office between Kid McCoy and Charles Goff. Billy Madden, Goff's manager, signed for Goff, and Homer Selby, Kid McCoy's brother, signed for McCoy, both by previous authority from the principals. They are to fight at 158 pounds.

Dr. John Hall Resigns.

NEW YORK, Jan. 10.—The Rev. Dr. John Hall, for 30 years pastor of the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian church, surprised his large congregation at yesterday morning's service by reading to them a letter of resignation which he had sent to the session of the church last Thursday evening, but of which the congregation generally had known nothing.

Hotel Proprietors Summoned.

LAWRENCE, Mass., Jan. 10.—This city is in a state of excitement over the attitude of Mayor Eaton in regard to illegal selling of intoxicants on Sunday. Saturday afternoon the hotel proprietors were summoned to police headquarters by the marshal and were given to understand that the law was to be rigidly enforced from this time out.

Murdered His Divorced Wife.

BEDFORD, Ia., Jan. 10.—John R. McCoun, a lawyer, whose wife had secured a divorce from him on account of his cruelty and threats, murdered the woman and then tried to kill himself. He cannot recover.

HANNA IS CONFIDENT

Democrats Want to Be Sure the Bolters Will Hold Out.

ASK KURTZ TO PRODUCE AFFIDAVITS

The Hanna Republicans Assert He Cannot Give These—Charge of Attempted Bribery Brought Against the Combine—No Names Mentioned.

COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 10.—The senatorial situation remained unchanged yesterday. The conferences continue day and night, and the doubtful members are given no rest. But no such flops were announced as those of Saturday in favor of Hanna. The workers for the senator say they now have enough votes. The Kurtz workers say they can spare another vote or two and still defeat Hanna, but they insist that they have lost all of their doubtful men now and will stand to the last with at least 8 Republicans and the 65 Democratic members against Hanna. They even say that they expect to get Manuel of Montgomery and Griffith of Union back on their side again before tomorrow. It is also claimed by the opposition that while Senator Hanna's forces have been charging on their lines they have been successfully attacking his lines and have promises from members on whom the senator has been depending. The Hanna men claim two more accessions, but they will not give any names, as they did those of Representative Manuel and Representative Griffith Saturday night.

The Democratic steering committee reported to Mr. Kurtz yesterday that they must have assurances from him that the dissenting Republicans will hold out before they can give him a guarantee of the solid Democratic vote of 65. It is said that the Democratic steering committee finally gave Kurtz till midnight tonight to produce affidavits from at least eight Republican members that they would vote against Hanna. The Hanna managers claim that Mr. Kurtz cannot secure the required number of affidavits and that the contest will be over tonight.

While there have been charges and counter charges of bribery, there is considerable stir over the publication of the following in the Cincinnati Commercial Tribune and, in different forms, in other Republican papers:

"While Senator Hanna and his managers have been careful to make no improper use of money in the senatorial contest, they have all along known that the ethics of the case were not so strictly observed by the opposition. Therefore, when an opportunity was offered to get incriminating evidence against the "combine," Mr. Hanna's managers were quick to improve it. A trap was set for the opposition and worked through one of the members of the combination who has been trying to get away from Senator Hanna.

Some of the opposition kept trying to get an audience with this member until it was decided to accommodate them. Accordingly an interview was arranged for in a certain room in a certain hotel, but in advance the precaution had been taken by the member to conceal a stenographer in the room, who took down every word of the interview, an important part of which was an offer of $5,000 cash made to the member if he would vote against Senator Hanna. Just what use will be made of the stenographer's notes will be governed by the course of the anti-Hanna people."

It is stated on good authority that the above case became known to the opposition soon after their organ made a sensational publication about the grand jury being called on to investigate the action of several workers for Hanna. At any rate, there has been nothing said about the grand jury's work since last Wednesday. The notes of the secreted stenographer have been written out, and they comprise several pages of matter, which is in the possession of a very prominent Republican. The two men who are accused of offering $5,000 are as well known in Ohio politics as either the senior or the junior senator, or the governor. One of them holds an important state office, and the other has been an important official and leader in this city.

These two prominent workers against Hanna were not the ones in the room with the member of the legislature and his concealed stenographer, but they sent their man to the legislator's room, and when the member insisted on knowing who authorized the offer the names of these two prominent parties were given as authorizing the offer of $5,000.

French Cruiser For Chinese Waters.

PARIS, Jan. 10.—The cruiser Duguay Trouin, flagship of the French Pacific squadron, has been ordered to Chinese waters. The Duguay Trouin is a second class cruiser, iron and wooden hull, of 3,593 tons displacement. She was built at Cherbourg in 1877. Her complement is 311 men and she has a speed of 15.9 knots. Her armament consists of five 6.2-inch, five 5.5-inch, four 1.8-inch quick firing guns and five muzzle loading guns.

Railway Car's Sudden Plunge.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Jan. 10.—Yesterday afternoon a day coach on west bound train No. 36 of the Western Alabama railroad went through Cubahatchie bridge, 21 miles east of Montgomery, falling a distance of 15 feet. Conductor Law and Flagman Pope were seriously injured, and 18 passengers received bruises or other injuries, none of which is serious.

Leaves Harbor With Blazing Cargo.

ST. JOHNS, N. F., Jan. 10.—The steamer Lambert's Point, Captain Humphreys, which has been lying here for some days since she arrived with her cargo on fire, has sailed for Liverpool with a deck load of cotton still afire. The crew refused to sail in her until compelled by the police. If the fire becomes serious, it is intended to jettison the cotton.

ACCIDENT TO FAST EXPRESS.

Engine Wheel Goes to Pieces and Plays Some Awkward Pranks.

PLAINFIELD, N. J., Jan. 10.—The rim of one of the big six foot drivers of the engine drawing the Royal Blue line express from Baltimore and Washington burst as the train was rushing past Netherwood depot yesterday. Three persons were injured.

The train was making fully 50 miles an hour when the accident occurred. One section of the wheel went through the side of a coal car of a passing coal train. Another section described a curve and crashed against the side of the combination coach. A hole three feet square was torn in the side of the car.

Hugh Ness of St. George, N. Y., was struck by flying splinters and broken glass and cut about the face. John Wymer of Sunbury, Pa., was on the seat behind Ness. The flying fragment dashed the seat from its fastening and Wymer was thrown across the car and severely bruised. When the accident occurred, the fireman, Frank McManus, was thrown down and received a severe scalp wound. The accident occasioned considerable excitement in the train, which proceeded an hour later with another engine.

Creek Indians to Fight Federal Courts.

MUSCOGEE, I. T., Jan. 10.—The Creek council, in spite of the message of Secretary Bliss, through Indian Agent Wisdom, warning them not to do so, has passed an act appropriating $20,000 to be used in employing attorneys to fight the constitutionality of the act of congress giving United States courts full jurisdiction after Jan. 1. Agent Wisdom has notified Secretary Bliss by wire of the action of the council. All acts of the Indian councils after Jan. 1 must be approved by the president of the United States. Secretary Bliss has already said that he would not recommend to the president for approval such an act as the Creek council passed.

Suicide of a Watchman.

WINDSOR LOCKS, Conn., Jan. 10—Robert Carroll, aged 52, unmarried, who had been employed as night watchman at the Seymour paper mills for the past two years, died at his boarding house on Oak street from a self inflicted wound. He was found lying in bed with a ghastly cut in the abdomen, which he made with a razor, and the bedding all about him was saturated with blood. When medical aid arrived there was no possible chance to save his life. It is thought that Carroll became insane from brooding over some money he invested a few years ago with disastrous results.

Given Leave to Strike.

BOSTON, Jan. 10.—The mule spinners of Lowell and New Bedford have been given permission to strike by the executive committee of the Mule Spinners' union today, and an assessment of 25 cents per week was levied on the members of the union. The executive committee also ordered the sum of $500 from the national funds to be placed at the disposal of the strike committee.

Fortune For Michael's Mother-in-law.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Jan. 10.—It is reported that Mrs. Moses James of Nanticoke, said to be the mother-in-law of Jimmy Michaels, the famous Welsh bicyclist, recently inherited a fortune of $20,000 from a relative in Wales, who died bequeathing his entire estate to Mrs. James and her children. Mrs. James was comparatively poor until the arrival of the fortune.

Germany's Duty on Petroleum.

BERLIN, Jan. 10.—The Magdeburg Zeitung asserts that the changes in the customs regulations as to petroleum which Count Posadowsky, minister of the interior, foreshadowed in the reichstag have already been made, and henceforth the duty, even upon mixtures of Caucasian and American petroleums, will be fixable by weight.

Pitts' Murderer Confesses.

SUMMIT, N. J., Jan. 10.—George Manshanda, who is now in the Union county jail at Elizabeth, detained as a witness against Louis Rosell, charged with assaulting Mary Davis and suspected of murdering James C. Pitts at his home near this place on the night of Sept. 9, has made a full confession of the murder.

A Desperate Cowboy.

EL PASO, Tex., Jan. 10.—Seth Burrows, a cowboy of this county, got into a fight across the river in Juarez, Mexico, and in a pitched battle stood off the Juarez police for one hour. Burrows was killed, but before his death he had killed a gambler, a policeman and fatally wounded two other officers.

King Humbert In a Scandal.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 10.—The Globe-Democrat has received from the Italian capital a cablegram which says that Rome has a divorce scandal in which King Humbert is implicated as co-respondent.

Mahone to Get a Consulship.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—Butler Mahone, son of the late Senator William Mahone of Virginia, has been selected for appointment as United States consul general at Nuevo Laredo, Mexico.

Bismarck Convalescent.

BERLIN, Jan. 10.—Prince Bismarck is comparatively well again. Answering the inquiry of an old Italian friend, he wrote, "I am suffering from pains in my joints, but otherwise I am well."

Rich Alaska Islands.

TACOMA, Wash., Jan. 10.—Large ledges of copper and gold ore have lately been uncovered on Gravina, Annette and Revillagigedo islands, on the southeastern Alaska coast.

Sir Henry Meade Passes Away.

LONDON, Jan. 10.—Sir Robert Henry Meade, permanent under secretary of state for the colonies since 1891, is dead.

SUFFERERS IN CUBA.

Congressman King Says Their Condition Is Pitiable.

HE HAS JUST RETURNED TO FLORIDA

Under the Supervision of Consul General Lee the First Food Supply Has Been Distributed—Making Ready Now to Prosecute Weyler.

TAMPA, Fla., Jan. 10.—After spending several weeks making personal investigation of the situation in Cuba, Congressman King of Utah arrived here last evening. His tour covered four provinces and was thorough. Speaking of his trip, he said:

"I made it to learn just what conditions were, and I found that no one has ever half depicted the awful horrors of the reconcentrados. These people, naked and emaciated, are still dying like sheep in the streets of the towns where they are still huddled. To realize just what this means one must see for himself.

"I found that the Spanish people have evidently very little faith in the new autonomical government, for they are strongly in favor of annexation and want it at once. General Blanco has not succeeded in his efforts to alleviate the suffering, for he has not had financial means to carry it out.

"I have interviewed insurgent leaders, Spanish officers and Americans and have some definite idea of what is going on in that terribly devastated island. I know positively that General Lee is not going out with General Blanco to see General Gomez."

As Mr. King saw General Lee Saturday, he evidently speaks with authority.

Professor Hermann Schoenfeld of Columbia university came on the same boat. He has been making investigations for the purpose of writing magazine articles for Germany. He corroborated in the main Mr. King's views, but thinks the war will continue a long time.

Relief Supplies Distributed.

HAVANA, Jan. 10.—Yesterday at the residence of Dr. Villiosola of the special committee appointed by Senor Bruzon, governor of Havana, and Consul General Fitzhugh Lee to superintend the work, took place the first distribution of supplies received from the United States consulate for the reconcentrados. La Discusion refers in phrases of profuse gratitude to this American charity. It published a special supplement, the proceeds of the sale of which will be turned over to the relief fund.

In a leading editorial La Discusion asks the insurgents in the name of humanity and for the sake of their mothers, wives, sisters and children, dying of starvation, to lay down their arms and to make peace with the government.

It is reported that the fierce criticisms that have appeared in El Reconcentrado on Senor Fernandez de Castro are inspired by Senor Bruzon, civil governor of Havana. They have caused much comment and created a division among the Autonomists, who are attacking each other.

Weyler Expects War.

BARCELONA, Jan. 10.—It is reported here that General Weyler has been summoned to Madrid. In the course of an interview with a newspaper representative General Weyler has expressed his belief in the possibility of a conflict between Spain and the United States.

Ready to Proceed Against Weyler.

MADRID, Jan. 10.—The captain general of Madrid has already received all the documents necessary for proceeding against Lieutenant General Valeriano Weyler.

Suicide After Attempted Murder.

TYRONE, Pa., Jan. 10.—George Haverty, a teamster, after attempting unsuccessfully to murder his sister, Mrs. Kate Hull, and nephew, Bert Hull, committed suicide by shooting himself. Haverty was at times abusive toward his wife. He was berating her in the house of his sister, next door to his own home, when Mrs. Hull and her son interfered. This so enraged Haverty that he drew his revolver upon them, and his first shot penetrated young Hull's hand. Then he fired at Mrs. Hull, but fortunately his aim was faulty, and she was not injured.

Kilpatrick to Race Tinsley.

ALBANY, Jan. 10.—Charles Kilpatrick of this city and holder of the world's record for the half mile run, has signed articles for two races with the crack Irish runner, George Tinsley. The first race will be run at Lynne, England, Saturday, Jan. 22, and the distance will be half a mile. The second race will be three-quarters of a mile and will be run at Avon-under-Lynne, Jan. 29. Each race will be for $250 a side.

Italians Arrested For Swindling.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 10.—Four Italians, Carlos Pasquino, Jose Arno, Charles Cerutti and Frank Bassi, have been arrested on a charge of swindling. The arrest was made after a bitter fight. The prisoners are charged with being the perpetrators of swindles in every prominent city in the United States. Pasquino had $1,000 in his possession and could not explain where he got it.

Laplanders For the Klondike.

LONDON, Jan. 10.—A dispatch from Copenhagen to The Daily Mail says: "A large expedition of Laplanders is about to start for New York from Christiania and Tromsoe, to go to the Klondike in sledges with reindeer."

Stolen Wood Explodes.

BATTLE CREEK, Mich., Jan. Mr. Henry, who, it is alleged, was a neighbor's wood, was injured by the explosion of some wood in his stove. He may not recover.

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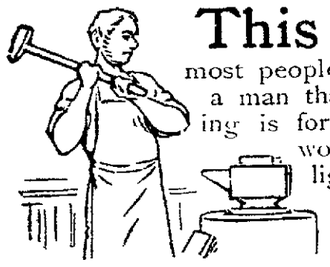

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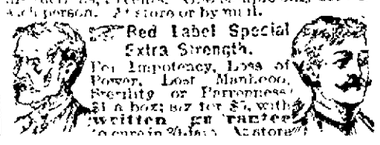
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SURGEON'S DILEMMA.

Electric Light Went Out During a Serious Operation.

A Lewiston physician tells a story about a surgical operation and an electric light, says the Journal of that city.

"It was 12 o'clock at night," says he, "when I heard a thunderous knocking at my door, and going to it I found a man walking up and down the steps in pain. He had an abscess under his left arm and was suffering intensely. It needed lancing, and we proceeded to do it. I got my instruments ready, placed the man in a chair under the electric light and made an incision. The armpit is a very dangerous place, as many large and small arteries gather there. I had just time to see that I had lanced it, and had also severed a good-sized blood vessel, when the electric light went out. I had no kerosene lamp or gaslight in the room. I could hear the blood falling in a little pool on the floor, and my patient was terribly excited. I was scared. I seized a towel, made a wad of it, and, chucking it under the man's arm, told him to hold it down at his side. Then I ran to the telephone and called up the power station. 'It'll be an hour before we can get the light on again. A belt has broken,' they said. 'But I have just cut a man and he is bleeding to death in the dark here.' 'Sorry, but I can't help it,' came the answer. I then remembered a kerosene stove, and, lighting this, I caught up the blood vessel with thread and dressed the wound by its failing light. It was the most startling and precarious operation I ever performed."

NOVEL TREATMENT.

The Russians Take an Ant Bath to Cure Rheumatism.

The Russian peasants, more especially those residing in the neighborhood of Moscow, have a peculiar and original method of treating themselves for that bane of mankind, rheumatism. Many cures, even in very bad cases, are, it is claimed, effected by making the patient take ant baths, says an exchange.

The manner of preparing these baths is as follows: An anthill is sought, and when found, a sack is filled with ants, ants' eggs, and if it be considered necessary, a certain quantity of the earth which composes the hill. The sack is then closed hermetically and carried to the home of the sufferer. A warm bath is already prepared here, and the sack is plunged bodily into the hot water. Soon this latter begins to give off a peculiar pungent odor, characteristic of formic acid. The bath is now ready for the patient's immersion. The action of the bath on the skin is one of intense irritation, and the result seems to be a drawing out of the evil, and the consequent disappearance of the rheumatic pains.

It is advisable for anyone who may be tempted to try this remedy to be careful not to remain too long in the ant bath, as the consequences might be a total disorganization of the skin, which would peel off, due to the violent action of the acid.

ROOTS ENTWINED HIM.

An Oak Tree Sundered the Coffin of John Randolph.

John Randolph, of Roanoke, died June 24, 1833, at the City hotel in Philadelphia, where he had gone to set sail for England. On his way there, says the Philadelphia Times, he passed through Washington, and, dragging his emaciated body with difficulty to the senate chamber, again met Henry Clay. The former enemies had a touching interview and parted, for the last time, in peace and good will.

Randolph was carried to Virginia and buried under the pines of Roanoke in the midst of that solitude which he had always craved in life. Many years later his remains were removed to Hollywood cemetery in Richmond, and a handsome monument placed over them by John Randolph Bryan.

In making the removal it was found that his body was buried no less than eight feet in the ground; the triple lead coffin was with difficulty removed, as the roots of an old oak had burst it asunder and wrapped round and round his body, holding him in a long embrace close to the state he had loved so well.

A Waifless City.

There are no "waifs" in San Francisco, says the Post of that city. Occasionally a family is discovered struggling with dire poverty, but as soon as their condition is known they are cared for. If any of the members of the family are capable of self-support they are put in a way of earning a livelihood; and if they are too young to work or the natural bread-winners are incapacitated by sickness or other affliction ample provision is made for their necessities. There are hundreds of boys and girls in San Francisco, children of parents who are poor, earning money with which they assist to support their families, but there is not one of these who would answer the description of "waif."

Trees Root in a Tomb.

Meehan's Monthly has recorded trees growing from the mortar of stone walls and on church steeples. It is said that a horse chestnut several years old is still growing from a tomb inside an old church at Kempsey, near Worcester, England. The monument built in the church is to the memory of Sir Edmund Wylde, who died in 1620. The tree is now several years old, having sprouted in the crevice of the mortar on the back of the tomb, spreads toward the light and forms a leafy canopy over the stone form of the old knight as out of the surface.

Innocence Personified.

Mistress (severely)—If such a thing occurs again, Norah, I shall have to get another servant.

Norah—Oi wish yez wud—there's

Irish Donkey in Africa.

The Irish donkey has covered himself with glory in South Africa, where he is in great demand, says the Philadelphia Record. His toughness laughs to scorn the tsetse fly, so fatal to cattle and horses, and all the other insectivorous pests of that region, and in the matter of diet he is as accommodating as at home. There is, in consequence, a great boom in the Irish "moke" market, English and Dutch syndicates having already invested $25,000 in donkey flesh in Clare, Tipperary and Limerick alone, and a new branch of industry is opening up to the Irish farmer.

Expect Little Pelagic Sealing.

VICTORIA, B. C., Jan. 10.—It is the general opinion of sealing men here that there will be no pelagic sealing in the Bering sea during the coming season. Only one schooner, the Director, will go to the Japanese coast. What sealing there is done will be carried on along the California, Oregon, Washington and British Columbia coasts

Situation In the Far East.

LONDON, Jan. 10.—A dispatch to The Daily Mail from Hongkong says it is reported there that England, Japan and Russia have arrived at an agreement respecting Korea. The details of the agreement are not known to the correspondent, but the dispatch says the British fleet is returning to Hongkong.

Failed to Hypnotize the Monkey.

CHICAGO, Jan. 10.—While trying to hypnotize the baboon Pongo in the Zoo John T. Sullivan, the leading man of "The Bachelor's Honeymoon" company, was badly scratched on the face and lost a handful of hair.

An International Engagement.

LONDON, Jan. 10.—A marriage has been arranged between the Hon. Rowland Charles Frederick Leigh, youngest son of Baron Leigh, and Miss Mabel Gordon, daughter of Colonel W. W. Gordon of Savannah.

Death of Detroit Editor.

DETROIT, Jan. 10.—Judge Albert Boynton, for 25 years political editor of the Detroit Free Press, died last night at the Alma (Mich.) sanitarium. He had suffered from kidney troubles for two years past, which finally caused other complications.

Shirtmakers' Wages Increased.

TRENTON, Jan. 10.—V. Henry Rothschild & Co. have announced an increase of 8½ per cent in wages at their Trenton shirt manufactory, to go into effect on Wednesday. They are also advertising for more help.

Accumulations.

"Bathley has a wonderfully well-stored mind, hasn't he?"

"He ought to have—he never takes anything out of it."—Chicago Journal.

Improving.

He—It makes me a better man every time I kiss you, darling.

She—Oh, Harold, how good you must be now!—Boston Traveler

Marion Harland's Idea of it:

"Some years ago I sketched the crest of the average American-born housewife. It was a bare, bony arm, brandishing a reeking frying pan."—MARION HARLAND

That was in the time when the frying pan was always filled with *lard*. Before healthy shortening and frying were made easy with Cottolene. Before Marion Harland declared that

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This Week at Economy Store.

Will offer many opportunities for money saving. You want to return the unexpected X mas gift with a suitable New Year's present. All holiday stock is marked at greatly reduced prices for this week. As to regular stock, we shall this week place on sale new goods in

Hardware, Tinware, Stationery, Notions

at lower prices than you have ever known. Watch this space for prices and money savers.

ECONOMY STORE,

118 North St., Middletown

Your Watch Needs Cleaning!

We have no doubt it does. Nine out of every ten Watches that fail to give their owners satisfaction need cleaning and oiling. Sometimes the owner neglects it too long and the result is worn pivots and general debility on the part of the watch.

A GOOD WATCH IS THE CHEAPEST in the LONG RUN,

and if it is carefully cleaned and oiled once a year, it will last a lifetime, yes, a hundred years. Such a watch is a source of satisfaction to its owner. He can meet an engagement or catch a train and never have to excuse himself with—my Watch must be slow.

Watches Examined, Regulated and Set Free of Charge.

Visitors are always welcome.

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SLEIGHS FOR SALE.

Pair nice light pleasure Bob Sleighs, complete, with two seats, cushions, poles and shafts. Address or call upon

WALTER H. ANDERSON, Wurtsboro, N. Y.

What is More Attractive

Than a pretty face with a fresh, bright complexion? For it, use Pozzoni's Powder.

TOMPKINS' NEW DRY GOODS STORE,

Nos 6-8 East Main Street, Middletown.

Grand Clearance Sale Previous to Taking Inventory, Beginning Monday, Jan. 10, '98,

and continuing for one week. Do you know what inventory means in a big Dry Goods Store? It means that every piece of goods has to be measured, every separate article counted. This means work and lots of it, and it takes time. The nearer a merchant can close his stock out the less work it makes to take inventory. From now on till inventory time we are going to fight our stock down to its lowest ebb. All profits will be lost sight of, and many things will go below cost rather than carry them over to another season. It will be greatly to your interest to attend this great stock reduction sale.

WE WILL ALSO MAKE THIS OUR CELEBRATION SALE!

To celebrate our success in Middletown. Just nine months ago the first of January we started here. Many wise men shook their heads in doubt when we started in this locality. The wrong side of the street was heard on every side, and many informed us that the location was surely fatal to success. THE WRONG SIDE OF THE STREET IT IS TRUE, BUT WE ARE ON THE RIGHT SIDE OF PRICES. That's what brings the people here, and our record of the past nine months we are proud of, and this is the way we will celebrate our success.

Two Bales of the Best Fine Unbleached Muslin.

Usually 7 to 8c a yard. At sale 3¾c. Limited to 20 yards to each customer.

Three of the Best Brands

of well-known Bleached Muslin made, usually 9 to 10c a yard. At clearance sale 5½c a yard.

Ready-made Pillow Cases

8c each

Wide Sheeting Muslin.

Bleached—2 yds wide 14c., worth 20c 2¼ yds wide 16c., worth 22c.; 2¾ yds wide 17c., worth 27c. Unbleached—2 yds wide 12c., worth 17c.; 2¼ yds wide 13c., worth 17c; 2¾ yds wide 15c., worth 20c.

Bleached Pillow Muslin

1¼ yds wide 8c a yard, unbleached 7c a yard.

Closing Out 3,000 Yards of Best Dark Ground Calicoes,

Usual price is 6 to 7c a yard. These are positively the best calicoes made. Celebration sale price 3½c a yard.

Closing Out Sale Best Outing Flannel,

Sold by most merchants for 10c a yard. Thirty-five pieces in this lot. We don't want to inventory them, hence price 4¾c a yard at sale.

Ready-made Sheets

at less than actual cost of the material by the yard. Full size hemmed, in best muslin. Clearance sale price 29c each. Pillow Cases, bleached, 42x36, each 8c.

Clearance Sale Prices of Table and Household Linens.

Merchandise that is as staple as gold—the purest and daintiest offered at this sale in varieties never heretofore surpassed anywhere and at prices that can never be quoted again. 54 inch All Linen Bleached and Cream Damask, 45c value. Clearance sale price 29c a yard. 64 inch Linen Cream Damask, worth 50c. Clearance sale price 35c a yard. 62 inch Bleached Scotch Damask, 65c value. Clearance sale price 50c a yard. 68 inch Bleached Double Damask, 85c value. Clearance sale price 55c a yard.

Good 25c Quality Turkey Red Table Cloth

at sale 13c a yard.

Napkins.

Irish Linen, size 21x21 inches, $1.25 quality. At sale 93c a dozen. German Linen Napkins, full selvage, 22x21 inches; cannot be matched anywhere for less than $1.59. Clearance sale price $1.25 a dozen. Extra heavy Scotch Napkins, dinner size, very desirable patterns, good honest merchandise that would cost you $2.98 per dozen elsewhere. Clearance sale price $2 a dozen. Fringed Doyle Napkins 3c each.

Towels.

Huckaback Towels, fringed or hemmed, very large Turkish Bath Towels and Damask Towels, worth from 12 to 18c each. Clearance sale price 9c each. Remnants of Toweling 2c each. Remnants of Linen Toweling, each 3 yards long, 25c each.

Ladies' Jackets.

Cost cuts no figure—price is no object. The great point is to clear out every garment we have. This is the way we do it. First, we take off every cent of profit, then we stand a loss of from $2 to $3 on every garment. This is heroic treatment, but it is better than packing them away until another season. We have only small lots of each on hand, the entire balance of our great cloak selling this season. If you can find your size in any of these lots, you will get more than your money's worth.

8 Brown Mixed Cloth Jackets,

Tailor made, storm collar, silk serge faced, were big value at $5. Riddance price $3.89.

12 Very Fine Black Kersey Cloth Jackets

Half lined with silk, tailor make, storm collar, coat back, box front, were $8.50. Riddance price $3.98.

A Few Only.

Finest of Black Kersey Cloth Jackets all satin lined, velvet inlaid collar, were $12. Riddance price $6.50 each.

8 Only.

Very Fine Jackets, price was $15 on these. Made of finest goods, beautifully trimmed with braid and handsomely silk lined. Riddance price $7.98 each.

4 Only of Our Finest $18 Jackets.

Elegant goods of finest Kersey Cloth beautifully trimmed with braid ornaments. Riddance price $10 each. If you can find your size in any of these lots you will be delighted, that is, if the satisfaction of getting a clear, up-to-date garment for about half what you would have to pay before Christmas has any charm for you.

Clearance Sale of Dress Goods.

For the convenience of buyers, and to facilitate the large selling that is sure to follow this announcement, some of these goods will be placed on special counters. 12c Plaid Dress Goods. Clearance sale price 8c a yard. 25c Cashmeres, all colors, including black, 15c a yard. All Wool Novelty Dress Goods, usual price 35c a yard. Clearance sale price 19c.

Changelines and Scotch Cheviot,

Two toned bouclés and novelty broendes, here merchandise that would cost you $2.98 per dozen elsewhere. Clearance sale price $2 a dozen. Fringed Doyle Napkins 3c each.

50c Novelty Dress Goods

In all wool fancy effects, bouclé and bouclé effects. Clearance sale price 33c.

Honey Comb White Bed Spread.

75c value, at 49c each. Heavier Bed Spreads also Marseilles patterns, instead of $1, clearance sale price 75c each.

Blankets.

Here are a few only of fine Wool Blankets left from our great blanket selling of the past season. We don't want to carry them over, hence this great cut in price. Only small lots of these, but the biggest blanket bargain you ever saw.

2 Pair Only,

Beautiful Eleven-Quarter California Blankets, were $10. Riddance price $6.50 a pair.

4 Pair Only,

Eleven Quarter California Blankets, were $8 a pair. Riddance sale price $4.50 a pair.

4 Pair Only.

All wool $6 Blankets. Riddance price $2.80 a pair.

8 Pair Only,

Ten-Quarter Wool Blankets were $4. Riddance price $2.25 a pair.

25 Pair Only,

of a very heavy Blanket; was a big bargain for $1. Clearance sale price 65c a pair.

Winter Underwear.

Three lots at riddance prices—10 dozen very heavy Undershirts, no drawers to match these, 75c value. Clearance price 39c each. Men's wool double breast and back Undershirts, all large sizes, $1 is usual price for these goods. Riddance price 50c each. Men's fleece lined Shirts or Drawers, 50c quality, 35c each.

Remnants of Dress Goods.

All the short ends left from our great dress goods selling of the past season put on special counter, and marked at less than half the regular prices.

Child's Worsted Toques,

35c value. At sale 15c each.

Men's Lined Gloves.

Riddance price 19c a pair.

Hosiery.

40 dozen Misses' and Boys' 25c Wool Hose, ribbed or plain, 15c a pair. One lot of Men's Heavy Wool Cashmere Hair Sox, 25c value. Riddance price 10c a pair. One lot of very fine Cashmere Hair 35c Sox, strictly all wool. Clearance price 12½c a pair.

REMEMBER THE LOCATION,

Nos 6-8 EAST MAIN STREET.

TO CURE NERVOUS DYSPEPSIA

To Gain Flesh, to Sleep Well, to Know What Appetite and Good Digestion Mean, Make a Test of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets.

Interesting Experience of an Indianapolis Gentlemen.

No trouble is more common or more misunderstood than nervous dyspepsia. People having it think that their nerves are to blame and are surprised that they are not cured by nerve medicine and spring remedies: the real seat of the mischief is lost sight of; the stomach is the organ to be looked after.

Nervous dyspeptics often do not have any pain whatever in the stomach, nor perhaps any of the usual symptoms of stomach weakness. Nervous dyspepsia shows itself not in the stomach so much as in nearly every other organ: in some cases the heart palpitates and is irregular; in others the kidneys are affected: in others the bowels are constipated, with headaches: still others are troubled with loss of flesh and appetite with accumulation of gas, sour risings and heartburn.

Mr. A. W. Sharper of No. 16 Prospect St., Indianapolis, Ind., writes as follows "A motive of pure gratitude prompts me to write these few lines regarding the valuable medicine, Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets. I have been a sufferer from nervous dyspepsia for the last four years; have used various patent medicines and other remedies without any favorable result. They sometimes gave temporary relief until the effects of the medicine wore off. I attributed this to my sedentary habits, being a bookkeeper with little physical exercise, but I am glad to state that the tablets have overcom all these obstacles, for I have gained in flesh, sleep better and am better in every way. The above is written not for notoriety, but is based on actual fact."

Respectfully yours,
A. W. Sharper,
61 Prospect street, Indianapolis, Ind.

It is safe to say that Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets will cure any stomach weakness or disease except cancer of stomach. They cure stomach gas, loss of flesh and appetite, sleeplessness, palpitation, heartburn, constipation and headache.

Send for valuable little book on stomach diseases by addressing Stuart Co., Marshall, Mich.

All druggists sell full sized packages at 50 cents.

THE WATER COMMISSIONERS.

Regular Meeting, Saturday Night—Clerk Merrill's Bond Approved—Increased Water Supply to be Discussed Jan. 12.

The regular meeting of the Water Board was held, Saturday night, President Stratton and Messrs. Tompkins, West and Dicks being present.

The bond of Clerk Merrill for $10,000 was accepted and filed.

The practice of filling cisterns from hydrants was ordered discontinued. M. H. Carey will be asked to pay for a meter which froze in his Depot street building. Repairs to a meter in the Dill building were also ordered charged to the owner.

The application of the State Hospital's attorney, J. B. Sweezy, for a reduction in its water rents was discussed, but no action was taken.

S. W. Robertson, of the First National Bank, was engaged to report on the condition of the clerk's books at the present time.

A leak in the First Congregational Church's water pipe caused the bill to be doubled in July last. The bill was discounted 25 per cent. C. H. Brink was given a permit as a licensed plumber.

In accordance with a former resolution the water will be shut off delinquents who do not pay by Jan. 17.

The Board audited bills and adjourned to January 12, when an increased water supply will be discussed.

THE W. C. T. U. FAIR.

The Kindness of Business Men Who Contributed to Its Success Acknowledged.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union of the City of Middletown, having closed a very successful fair, wishes to thank the following merchants for their generous gifts:

Hoyt & Galloway, G. W. Young, C. S. Abrams, G. A. Swaim, J. C. Runyon, R. H. Ayers, France & Hathaway, F. M. Pronk, Budwig & Co, M. B. Wolf, S. Lipfield, B. S. Dayton & Son, C. D. Hanford, H. E. Churchill & Co, McMonagle, & Rogers, Atlantic & Pacific Tea Co, Enterprise Tea Co, E. W. Everson, C. E. Crawford, Mathews & Co, Brink & Clark, C. J. Everson, Geo B. Adams & Co Spooner & Ayers, Hanford & Horton, G. W. Clark, S. Bross, E. A. Tice, Mrs. A. R. Skinner; Crane & Swayze, Royce & Mapes, Oscar Ritter, McCarter & Sutton, Millspaugh & Co, O. H. Carpenter. The Union also thanks Charles E. Mapes for evergreens, and all others who helped in any way. To the city papers we extend our thanks for the kindly courtesies shown the past year.

RAMAPO VOTES FOR LICENSE.

The Excise Vote Cast at the Last Election Canvassed.

Judge Van Wyck having vacated Judge Gaynor's order restraining the Town Board of Ramapo from canvassing the votes on the excise proposition, cast at the last election, the Board met, Thursday, and canvassed the vote, which was 876 in favor of license and 559 against. The town went "dry" last spring and the proposition was re-submitted to the voters at the last election, a way having been found to get around the provision of the Raines law that a vote on the question of license settles it for two years.

THE PORT JERVIS ELECTRIC ROAD

The First Car Will Be Run Wednesday—Twenty Minute Trips to Be Made.

The finishing touches are being put on the Port Jervis electric road and it is expected that the first car will be run, Wednesday. Superintendent Field will be at the controller and the passengers will be newspaper men and the village trustees.

Two cars will be put on the line and at first each trip will take twenty minutes, but after the motormen are thoroughly broken in and familiar with the line it is expected to reduce the time to fifteen minutes.

Universalist Social at the Russell House

All members and friends of the Universalist Church are invited to attend an experience social to be held at the home of Mrs. E. A. Brown, the Russell House annex, Wednesday evening. At this social the explanations of "How I earned my dollar" will be given and it is expected that the fund of $500, which the ladies agreed to raise in 1897 for the purchase of a church lot, will be completed.

Middletown Is Good Enough for Alderman-Elect Waldorf.

Alderman-elect George Waldorf, who has been west in quest of horses, has written that he has secured forty horses at the East St. Louis yards, and will return home to-night or to-morrow.

Mr. Waldorf states that a train was robbed in the city during his stay there, and that one of the robbers was shot.

Union Revival Meetings in Port Jervis

Six Port Jervis and two Matamoras churches have united in engaging Rev. J. F. Carson, D. D., to conduct a series of union revival meetings in the Reformed Church, Port Jervis. The first meeting will be held, this evening.

To Cure Constipation Forever.
Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic 10c or 25c. If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

Impossible to foresee an accident. Not impossible to be prepared for it. Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil. Monarch over pain.

Two million Americans suffer the torturing pangs of dyspepsia. No need to. Burdock Blood Bitters cures. At any drug store.

OTISVILLE.

Chicken Thieves About—Smith's Store Burglarized—Gone South—Missionary Society Meeting—Many Personal and Local Notes.

Correspondence of Argus and Mercury.

—Chicken thieves have been sampling S. J. Boyd's flock. I understand he has offered a reward for the detection of the thieves.

—Some time during Thursday night the store of George Smith was again visited by burglars. Entrance was gained by boring holes beneath the glass in the door until the panel could be pushed in. The money drawer was rifled, but fortunately it contained only about $8. Numerous things were scattered about the store and without doubt the thieves will not be in need of foot covering for some time for they helped themselves freely. Mr. Smith has a burglar alarm, but the work was done beneath it. It would seem that whoever did the job must have been aware of the location of the alarm.

—Miss Park and her sister, Miss Helen, left, on Tuesday morning, for Anniston, Ala. Miss Park has accepted a position as teacher of music in the Barber Memorial Institute, of which her brother-in-law, Rev. Geo. B. Crawford, has charge. Miss Helen Park, who has a year's leave of absence from the Middletown schools, hopes to be much benefited by the trip.

—Mr. Jordan, who spent a part of the holiday vacation here, returned to his studies at Princeton Seminary, Sunday Jan. 3, he preached a missionary sermon in the Presbyterian Church, which was replete with facts which should awaken a deep interest in the work.

—Mr. and Mrs. Mitchel have returned from their wedding trip and their home for the present will be at the home of his brother, Alexander Mitchel.

—The January meeting of the Ladies' Missionary Society will be held at the home of Mrs. Park, on Friday afternoon, instead of Saturday, as usual.

—Arthur Digby, of Pittsburg, Pa., arrived at the manse, Thursday, and remained a guest of the pastor's family until Monday.

—Mrs. Smith and son, Willie, who came to spend New Year's with their cousin, N. W. Beyea, remained until the first of this week.

—The week of prayer was observed by the churches here.

—Mr. Firth and family, who expected to remain in their pleasant home here during the winter, have decided to return to the city,—a move which we all regret.

—A number of our young people attended the Mount Hope singing class, last week.

—Miss Helen Pierson has been spending a week at home. Miss Cora Pierson, of the New Paltz Normal School, was also home for the holidays.

—Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Beyea and daughter, of New Haven, Coun., spent New Year's with Mrs. James Everett.

—Joel Northrup and Mrs. Irene Tiers were visiting in Jersey City during holiday week.

—May Otto and Lillian Tyneson spent their vacations in New York city, returning Monday evening of last week.

—Mr. and Mrs. Kaufman and Miss Wright returned, Monday night, after a delightful week spent in Washington county, and the schools are again in working order.

—Miss Otto went to Middletown, Thursday, to spend a week among friends there.

BURLINGHAM.

Epworth League Social.

Correspondence Argus and Mercury.

—The ladies of the Epworth League will give a conundrum social in the hall on Wednesday evening Jan. 12th. If stormy the next fair evening. Supper will be served. All are invited.

WONDERFUL WORK.

If This Had Happened in San Francisco Instead of Middletown, More Than One Reader Would Dispute It.

The average man is a doubter. It is due to this fact, coupled with necessity that such rapid strides have been made in mechanics and science. Curiosity and investigation are necessary in every business. Without it failure is the inevitable result. Middletown people are asked to investigate the following. It is a simple thing to do. The party interested is a citizen. He doesn't live in New York or Detroit. Ask F. M. Newkirk, of 172 West Main street, if the following is not his experience with and opinion of Doan's Kidney Pills. He says:—"There have been times when I wished I could quit work on account of my kidneys. I have had ten years of it. Latterly my troubles have become complicated, a weak stomach and dyspepsia preventing me from indulging in strong foods, such as I require to fit me for following my occupation. Backache, headache and dizziness accompanied this, often so severe that they made me wild. I took medicines of all kinds for my sickness, but I received little or no lasting relief until I got a box of Doan's Kidney Pills at J. E. Mills' drug store. They seemed to help me right from the start and I kept on taking them until I was cured. The old pains and aches have left me and there is no indication of the trouble returning. They did for me all that any medicine could do. Indirectly they have helped my stomach, for now I can eat the strongest and richest food. I will always praise Doan's Kidney Pills. I can be spoken to any day, as I will be only too glad to give any further particulars."

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The famous little ...

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ALL WHO ARE SICK AND SUFFERING CAN NOW BE TREATED FREE BY THE BOY PHENOMENON.

His Wonderful Magnetic Power to Be Given Absolutely Free to All Humanity This Week Only.

The Object Being to Effect as Many Cures as Possible, Thereby Proving That Vital Magnetism Does Cure Disease.

Free, absolutely free, for this week only, without money and without price, the Boy Phenomenon will dispense that all healing power—so liberally bestowed upon him by an all-wise Providence—to the entire suffering public of high and low degree, both rich and poor.

When such philanthropy, such magnanimity, such charity and compassion, since the Apostolic days?

But it is not charity alone that prompts this benevolent offer on the part of the Boy Phenomenon, and he desires to disabuse the public mind of that idea, by stating that he expects every patient cured will be the means of giving him all he can do when he again visits Middletown next May.

Since arriving at the Russell Hotel here his office has daily been visited by scores of poor people deserving treatment but unable to pay, and when at times he saw them turn away in blank despair, his great pitying soul was stirred with sadness, and he resolved to set aside some period and devote it exclusively to the free treatment of all who chose to avail themselves of it. Therefore this entire week has been set aside for the free treatment of all. The rich are invited as well as the poor to take advantage of this offer, as it is not considered a charity offer in any sense, but a plain business proposition to prove to the public that Vital Magnetism, such as is possessed by the Boy Phenomenon, is capable of effecting the most rapid and astonishing results in the cure of chronic diseases when everything else had failed.

All that is asked in return is that each patient will resolve him or herself into a committee of one and tell the results of their treatment to all whom they may come in contact with.

Notice to those holding envelopes.—All who have visited his office during the past three weeks and received consultation envelopes are especially requested to take advantage of this offer and return with their envelopes, when they will be given preference and free treatment as above.

Of course the time, expense and labor in giving this free treatment will be enormous, yet he feels the number of cures he will make will be so large that the advertisement resulting from those cures will more than repay him for his time and expense.

Where the examining physician finds that an internal medication is necessary to effect a permanent cure, of course the patient will have to purchase his own drugs.

It is respectfully requested of those who come that they exercise all possible patience during these days of free treatment, and by so doing they will lend great assistance in the prosecution of this humanitarium work. It is irksome, of course, to sit an hour or two waiting for admission to the consultation room but what must be the strain on the physician in charge and the Boy who, for hours, are daily overwhelmed with a volume of business that requires the utmost skill and tact to dispose of?

In order that this offer may be thoroughly understood by everyone we will state very clearly that consultation tickets will be given each person as they enter the reception parlor absolutely free of charge; that consultation, advice and examination by the physician in charge will be given absolutely free, and that the Magnetic Phenomenon will treat everyone entirely free of charge.

In view of the large crowds, the office hours have been greatly extended being now daily from 10 A. M. to 8 P. M.

Office at Russell Hotel. adv.

Some Foolish People

Allow a cough to run until it gets beyond the reach of medicine. They often say, "oh, it will wear away," but in most cases it wears them away. Could they be induced to try the successful medicine called Kemp's Balsam, which is sold on a positive guarantee to cure, they would immediately see the excellent effect after taking the first dose. Price 25c. and 50c. Trial size free. At all druggists.

The Homeliest Man in Middletown

as well as the handsomest, and others are invited to call on any druggist and get free a trial bottle of Kemp's Balsam for the throat and lungs, a remedy that is guaranteed to cure and relieve all chronic and acute coughs, asthma, bronchitis and consumption. Price 25c. and 50c.

Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away.

To quit tobacco easily and forever, be magnetic, full of life, nerve and vigor, take No-To Bac, the wonder worker, that makes weak men strong. All druggists, 50c or $1. Cure guaranteed. Booklet and sample free. Address Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or New York

Disfigurement for life by burns or scalds may be avoided by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, the great remedy for piles and for all kinds of sores and skin troubles. W. D. Olney.

LEGAL NOTICES.

WHEREAS, Default has been made in the payment of the interest money secured by a mortgage, dated the 20th day of June, 1889, executed by The Goshen Gas Light Company through its then President, E. D. Bushnell, of the city of Brooklyn, N. Y., to Horatio S. Stewart, as trustee, to secure the payment of its bonds to the amount of twelve thousand dollars, which said mortgage was recorded in the County Clerk's office, of the county of Orange, on the 24th day of December, 1889, at ten o'clock and fifteen minutes a. m., in the proper book for recording mortgages, to wit: In Liber 309 of Mortgages, at Page 421

And whereas, it was in and by said mortgage expressly agreed "In case default is made in the payment of the principal or interest moneys on said bonds secured by this mortgage, or any part thereof for the space of ninety days after the same or any part thereof shall accrue, become due and payable; or if the said party of the first part shall allow any taxes or assessments levied or assessed under any color of any lawful authority whatever to remain unpaid more than ninety days after the same shall become due and payable, that then and in such case the whole principal debt shall become and be forthwith due and payable even though said bonds may not have fully matured;" and thereupon the said party of the second part, his successor or successors, if required by fifty one per centum in interest of said bondholders shall cause the whole of said premises to be sold at public auction, in the manner as provided in said mortgage.

And whereas, the said mortgagor, The Goshen Gas Light Company has failed to pay the interest which became due on the 1st day of January, 1897, or any part thereof, and the same has remained unpaid and in arrears for the space of more than ninety days, and the undersigned, at the written request of all the holders of said bonds has elected and hereby elects that the whole principal sum shall become due and payable immediately.

And whereas, default has been made in the payment of the amount due upon and secured to be paid by said mortgage as aforesaid, and there is now due and owing to said mortgagee, Horatio S. Stewart, as trustee, upon and by virtue of said mortgage at the date of the first publication of this notice, the sum of twelve thousand seven hundred and twenty dollars, to wit: The sum of twelve thousand dollars principal and the sum of seven hundred and twenty dollars for interest thereon from January 1st, 1897, and no suit, proceeding or other action at law or otherwise has been instituted to recover the said mortgage debt or any part thereof

Now therefore, notice is hereby given, that by virtue of said power of sale and in pursuance of the statute the said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises in said mortgage and hereafter described, by Horatio S. Stewart, as trustee, at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, at the front door of the Orange County Court House, in the village of Goshen, in the county of Orange, on the 2nd day of February, 1898, at twelve o'clock noon of that day.

The following is a description of the mortgaged premises to be sold as aforesaid as contained in said mortgage, to wit: All that tract or parcel of land, situate in the village of Goshen, on the westerly side of West Main street, and bounded as follows: Beginning at a point in the centre of a stone bridge in the sidewalk on the westerly side of West Main street, about one hundred and ten feet easterly of the east corner of land belonging to the heirs of James Wardrop, deceased, and running thence in an easterly direction along said line of said West Main street one hundred and fifty feet; thence in a northerly direction, and at right angles with above line one hundred and twenty-five feet to lands of N. Y., L. E. and W. Railroad; thence in a westerly direction, along line of said railroad land, one hundred and fifty feet; thence in a southerly direction one hundred and twenty-five feet to place of beginning, being a lot one hundred and fifty feet front and rear, and one hundred and twenty-five feet deep be the same more or less. Being the same premises which William M. Sayer and Jane, his wife, by a certain deed, dated the 20th day of June, A. D., 1889 conveyed to the said The Goshen Gas Light Company in fee, together with all and singular the buildings, machinery, improvements, ways, streets alleys, passages, waters, water courses, rights, liberties, privileges, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining the etc, and the reversions and remainders rents, issues and profits thereof, and also the corporate rights and franchises of the said party of the first part, and all the real estate and corporate franchises, and which the said party of the first part, its successors and assigns shall or may acquire or be seized or possessed of subsequent to the date of this indenture.

Dated Nov. 27, 1897.
Mon13tFeb22 HORATIO S. STEWART, Trustee

IN Pursuance of an order of the Surrogate of the county of Orange, notice is hereby given, according to law, to all persons having claims against the estate of Elizabeth Jane Wickham, late of the city of Middletown, in said county, deceased, that they are required to present the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, the executor of the last will and testament of said deceased, at the First National Bank, in the city of Middletown, on or before the first day of February, 1898.

S. W. ROBERTSON, Executor.
J. F. BRADNER, attorney for executor.
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Reduction in Prices

OF

Gas and Electric Light

The following prices take effect or business commencing February 1st, 1898:

GAS RATES.

Under 500 feet, per month	$2 25 per M
500 to 10,000 feet, per month	2 00 per M
10,000 to 20,000 feet, per month	1 90 per M
Over 20,000 feet, per month	1.80 per M

Five per cent. discount from above prices if bills are paid on or before the 15th.

Meter rent charged on all bills of less than $1 per month, net.

ELECTRIC LIGHT RATES.

85 hundredths of cent per ampere hour.
13 cents per 1 000 watts.
Minimum bill 50 cents per month.
Small consumers using the equivalent of 3 16 candle power lamps or under, by contract, according to service.
Bills rendered the first of each month, payable on or before the 15th, after which date 5 per cent. additional will be charged.
All lamp renewals at 15 cents each.

Middletown Gas and Electric Light Co.

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PUBLIC NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given to all persons interested in the matter of assessments for the
North street sewer,
King street brick pavement,
Center street brick pavement and
Depot street brick pavement,
that a hearing will be given at the Common Council rooms, No 7 Times Building, King and Center streets Middletown, N. Y., Wednesday evening Jan 12th, 1898, at 8 o'clock, to all persons feeling aggrieved in any of the above matters, and that said assessment rolls may be examined, without charge, at the City Clerk's office until that date.

By order of the Common Council
JOHN T OGDEN, President.
E. M. HAMILTON, City Clerk.
Dated Middletown, N. Y., Dec. 28th, 1897.
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You should have that music and lot of ladies' periodicals neatly bound at McINTYRE'S BINDERY, 32 North Street, Middletown. The price will be reasonable.

BUSINESS CARDS.

PHILIP HENRY, Practical House Painter, No 8 Linden Terrace. Painting walls a specialty. 47dtf

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IN Pursuance of an order of the Surrogate of the county of Orange, notice is hereby given, according to law, to all persons having claims against the estate of Lucinda Horton Yocum, late of the city of Middletown, in said county, deceased, that they are required to present the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, the executor of the last will and testament of said deceased, at his office, No. 16 East Main street, in the city of Middletown, on or before the 14th day of April next.

Dated Middletown, N. Y., Oct. 12, '97.
GEO. H. DECKER, Executor.
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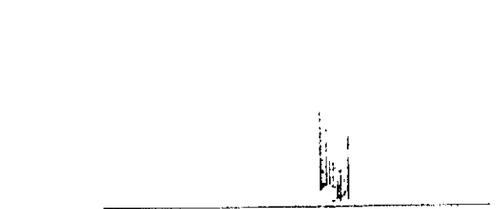
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Department of Public Instruction.

DATES OF EXAMINATIONS FOR 1898.

OTISVILLE, N. Y., November 1, 1897.

Examinations under the uniform system for 1898, will begin on the days named below and continue for two days except those for training class certificates, which will continue for three days.

FIRST GRADE.

March 10th and 11th, at Goshen.
August 11th and 12th, at Middletown.

TRAINING CLASSES.

January 19th, 20th and 21st, at Port Jervis.
June 8th, 9th and 10th, at Port Jervis.

SECOND AND THIRD GRADES.

January 13th and 14th, at Port Jervis.
March 10th and 11th, at Goshen.
May 27th and 28th, at Otisville.
August 11th and 12th at Middletown.
September 23d and 24th, at Warwick.

KINDERGARTEN.

January 19th and 20th, at Port Jervis.
June 8th and 9th, at Port Jervis.

DRAWING.

March 10th and 11th, at Goshen.
August 11th and 12th, at Middletown.

NORMAL ENTRANCE.

Second Thursday of January, 13th, at Port Jervis.
Fourth Friday of May, 27th, at Otisville.
Second Thursday of August, 11th, at Middletown.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

Examinations will be held from 9:15 a. m. to 12:30 m. and from 1:30 p. m. to 3 p. m.

No bags, books nor pamphlets will be allowed in the room where the examination is held, and all paper to be used by candidates will be furnished by the Commissioner. Any one detected in copying, using notes, or in any way trying to obtain a certificate dishonestly, will be prohibited from attending future examinations.

Candidates residing in the Second Commissioner District of Orange county wishing to take the uniform examination in another county, must first obtain the written consent of the Commissioner of this district.

Extracts from State Regulations—Experience—Candidates must have taught successfully for a period of not less than ten weeks, and are not eligible to enter an examination without having had such experience, except for third grade.

A COMPETITIVE EXAMINATION for State Scholarships in Cornell University will be held at the Public School, Goshen, upon Saturday, June 4th, 1898, commencing at 9 o'clock.

WILLIAM P. KAUFMANN, School Commissioner, 2d District, Orange county.

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FIRST NATIONAL BANK.

MIDDLETOWN, N. Y., Dec. 10, 1897.

The election for directors of this bank will be held at the banking rooms of the bank on Tuesday, January 11th, 1898, from 9 a. m. to 10 a. m., at which meeting will be considered the advisability of amending Article 3, of the articles of association of this bank, which article determines the number of directors to be elected.

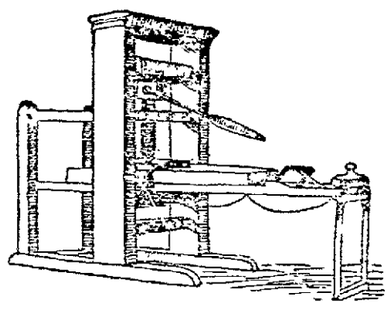
By order of the Board.
LEWIS SEYMOUR DEWITT, Cashier.

THE EPHRATA PRESS.

Declaration of Independence Was Printed on It.

Reposing honorably in the quiet confines of the Pennsylvania Historical society's building is the old Ephrata press. It is identical in build with the common presses described by Moxon in 1683, such as were used by the first printers of Philadelphia, as well as their English contemporaries of the early portion of the eighteenth century.

The wooden framework and part of the covering of two balls, formerly used as an inking apparatus, accompanied the press. It antedates, certainly, the Columbian and Stanhope iron frame presses by more than half a century.



THE EPHRATA PRESS.
(Purchased in 1745 by the Seventh Day Baptists.)

It is wholly of wood, except those parts where the use of iron was necessary to prevent wear and impart strength, such as the bar, the hooks of the platen, the iron or steel ribs over which the bed and "coffin" pass to and fro in the process of working off impressions. In this ancient press a vacant aperture, large enough to receive the stone or other substance forming the bed, is shaped by a surrounding wooden structure, technically called the "coffin." The stone is about the size of a seven-column newspaper page.

The earliest record of the press is its purchased in or about the year 1745, by the Seventh Day Baptists of Ephrata. Upon it was printed an edition of the German "Book of Martyrs," together with other cheerful works in a similar character. During the revolution the declaration of independence issued from this press in five different languages, the translations being supplied by Rev. Peter Miller. When the continental congress met at Lancaster the currency of the new republic was printed upon the machine.

Later the Ephrata press became the property of Joseph Baumann, and afterward of the senior Heitler, who used it for many years.

In October, 1874, the press was loaned to exhibitors at the memorable Franklin institute semi-centennial exhibition, where it was operated in contrast with modern steam presses, by a veteran printer dressed to a close resemblance of Benjamin Franklin. This was the last time the old press was used.

CIVIL-SERVICE REFORM.

Carl Schurz Reelected High Priest of the Movement.

The National Civil Service Reform league, at its recent annual session at Cincinnati, reelected Carl Schurz president by acclamation. Mr. Schurz was born at Liblar, near Cologne, Prussia, March 2, 1829. He studied at the university at Bonn from 1846 to 1848, and in 1849 took part in the insurrection in the Palestinate and Baden, on the repression of which he was arrested, but escaped to Switzerland. He went to the United States in 1852, and became a prominent member of the republican party. He was appointed United States minister to Spain in 1861, but resigned on the outbreak of the civil war in order to enter the union army. He served at the second battle of Bull Run, Chancellorsville, Gettysburg and Chattanooga, and attained the rank of major general of volunteers. He was republican United States senator from Missouri from 1869 to 1875; was a leading member of the "liberal republican" movement in 1872, was secretary of the interior under President Hayes, and was editor of the New York Evening Post from 1881 to 1884. In 1887 he published a "Life of Henry Clay," and has since been a contributor to leading American periodicals on reform topics. In a business way he is connected with one of the great trans-Atlantic steamship companies.

CARL SCHURZ
(President National Civil Service Reform League.)

Portable Trolley Roads.

Portable trolley roads are now designed for the use of contractors and pioneers. These are made in sections, the trolley wire supports being in the shape of an arch fastened to a bed plate or sleeper so that no holes are required to be dug. The gauges of the different roads are from 20 inches up and the locomotives are designed for 110 volts.

Take Well to New Homes.

Eastern quail and European skylarks, which were introduced in Idaho and Oregon some years ago, are doing remarkably well. California valley quail failed to propagate and died out soon after they were liberated.

Who is Happy?

The healthy mother of a healthy child has a happiness all her own. Her joy in it cannot be told. It is sacrifice to motherhood. The responsibility for the soft little, sweet little, dependent creature—as much a part of herself as her own heart—brings a pleasure that may be equalled in Heaven, but never on earth. The greatest thing that can be done in this world is to be and rear healthy, happy children. Many women do not do it—do not reach the full measure of beautiful, perfect womanhood, because of the neglect of the health of the organs distinctly feminine.

Every woman may be perfectly healthy if she chooses. She need not submit to the humiliating examinations and local treatment of physicians. She need have no trouble and slight expense. Doctor Pierce's Favorite Prescription will cure any disease or disorder peculiar to women. It is the invention of a regularly graduated, skilled, expert, successful specialist. It has been sold for over 30 years, and has a greater sale than all similar medicines combined. It regulates every feminine function—makes a weak man better able to bear children—better able to take care of the children. It greatly lessens the pain of labor or parturition. No honest druggist will offer you a substitute—look out for the one who does.

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No. 11 Delayed Periods.
No. 12 Leuchorrea.
No. 13 Croup.
No. 14 Skin Diseases.
No. 15 Rheumatism.
No. 19 Catarrh.
No. 27 Kidney Diseases.
No. 34 Sore Throat.
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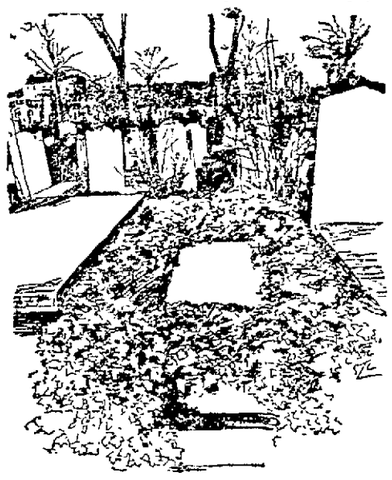
(The [illegible] of England's Premier [illegible] Marquis of Salisbury, [illegible] of the court of [illegible] Queen Victoria [illegible] Prince of Wales [illegible] Duke of Edinburgh [illegible] Duke of Connaught. The society set went to comprise the elite of the land and literary worlds. But Marquis Lady Salisbury, without a high title, was a fine and refining [illegible] combining [illegible] charms. Lord Beaconsfield, the [illegible] of the then marquis of Salisbury, but his father would not hear to the match. His son insisted on marrying his sweetheart and the father cut him off with no allowance. For some years Lord Robert Cecil and his young wife lived in lodgings off the Strand and supported themselves out of the husband's literary earnings. The death of his elder brother and his father gave Lord Robert the marquisate and from then on Lady Salisbury has reigned at Hatfield house, the wife of a distinguished peer, who has four times been England's foreign minister and is the leader of the tory party.

The last year Lady Salisbury's health began to give way and she has spent all her time at Hatfield house, where Lord Salisbury is frequently seen walking beside her pony cart. Their married life has been unruffled and serene.

THACKERAY'S GRAVE.

For a Long Time It Was Neglected by the Cemetery Authorities.

Thackeray's grave in Kensal Green cemetery has recently been the subject of some discussion. It was pointed out in the public prints that the state of the master's resting place was not all that could be desired, that, indeed, "envious ivy did around it cling," to the obscuration of the inscription. The remonstrance was quickly followed by a communication stating with satisfaction that the proper authorities have taken the hint. Thackeray's tomb is not very far from the main entrance. The ivy which climbs over the railing encircling the flat stone has been neatly trimmed and borders the slab with a broad frame of foliage. The inscription (be it said for the benefit of those who have never visited the spot) is, like the tomb, of the plainest, simply:



THACKERAY'S GRAVE.

(An Object of Interest to All Lovers of Literature.)

"William Makepeace Thackeray, born July 18, 1811, died December 14, 1863." Below is inscribed: "Anne Carmichael Smyth, died December 18, 1864, aged 72. His mother by her first marriage." Further word there is none, nor is there need of any. In the next grave but one to the left rests another who, more with pencil than with pen, as Thackeray more with pen than pencil (though he could use both), deftly delineated character—John Leech. His epitaph is likewise simple, "a name and nothing more;" yet how far from "a name and nothing more!"

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Enter Servant—Please, mem. Mr. Blinks wants to know the address of some good locksmith.

Hostess—With pleasure. What's the matter?

Servant—When Mr. Blinks left the house this morning he slammed the door so hard it broke the latch.—N. Y. Weekly.

Appeal to Family Pride.

"We will now take up our annual collection for the benefit of the heathen," announced Rev. Dr. Fourthly at the close of his sermon, "and I hope those young men in the back seats who have been making so much noise all through this service will be especially liberal in their contributions. They are in duty and honor bound to help their brother heathens."—Chicago Tribune.

The Wind-up.

Teacher—What letter is that, Tommie?

Tommie—That is Q.

"Right; now Willie, what is the next letter?"

"Er-er-er; I don't know, ma'am."

"What comes at the end of dinner?"

"Oh, pie, ma'am!"—Yonkers Statesman.

A Dashed Hope.

Hicks—I wonder what the trouble is between Jaxon and his wife. They were talking quite earnestly in front of their house last evening, and I heard her say her mind was made up.

Wicks—I'm surprised at that. I knew she was an awfully artificial person; but I did suppose her mind was natural.—Boston Transcript.

A Business Woman.

He—I hear that you and Count Mulrooni have been in each other's company a great deal lately. Is it so?

She—Yes.

He—Then I trust you will release me from my engagement.

She—Not until I have given the count one more chance to propose.—Up-to-Date.

All on the Surface.

Mr. Todgers—Why do you think the Mousons are trying to make a bigger show than their circumstances warrant?

Mrs. Todgers—Mrs. Monson wears a sealskin sacque, but I've never heard her petticoats rustle yet.—Chicago News.

A Fine Risk.

Insurance Superintendent—Think this Mr. Lyon is a good risk, eh?

Agent—Couldn't be better.

"Perhaps he has some dangerous occupation?"

"No, indeed. He'll never get hurt. He's a policeman."—Tit-Bits.

A Domestic Reminder.

Mr. Testy—I was detained at the office very late last night.

Neighbor—What was the matter?

Mr. Testy—Oh, the usual trouble with the books; had a difference.

Neighbor—Must have made you feel quite at home.—Boston Courier.

Not Spoiled by Fortune.

Anna—And her uncle left her all that money! Has it changed her at all?

Belle—No, indeed! She is just as enthusiastic as ever over eighty-nine cent silk marked down from one-sixty.—Puck.

Passing Away.

Low grows the stock of sealskin sacks
Upon the shelves,
And soon there'll be none on the backs
Of seals themselves.
—Chicago Tribune.

THE PERVERSITY OF MOODS.

"Don't you feel more like working at some times than at others?" inquired the young woman.

"Yes," he replied. "I do. When I am riding in a railway car, where I can't possibly find a pen, pencil or paper or anybody to talk business to, I get to feeling so industrious that it makes me nervous."—Washington Star.

Don't Remember It.

More blessed 'tis, indeed, to give
Than to receive, and yet
You'll find but few recalling this,
When paying up a bet.
—Chicago Journal

A Negative Argument.

"Do you think congress will do anything with the currency?"

"Well, it rarely does anything without."—Chicago Journal.

A Tame Affair.

"Did you have a good time at your progressive euchre club?"

"No; none of the women who get mad was there."—Chicago Record.

Exactly Described.

He—What a lovely fresh complexion Lavinia Farnell has!

She—Yes; fresh every morning.—Puck.

The Reason.

Chapleigh—Now, why did they choose the character O for naught?

Satira—It's the shape of a dude's head.—Yellow Book.

LOCATIONS OF FIRE ALARM BOXES.

For the information of our readers, we publish below a complete list of the numbers and locations of all the fire alarm boxes in this city:

14—Wickham Ave., cor. Union, O. & W. R. R.
15—North street and Low avenue, flat shops.
16—North St. and Wisner Ave., pipe shop.
17—Railroad avenue and Montgomery street.
18—Grand avenue and Union street.
23—Wickham avenue, corner Liberty street.
24—West Main street and Maltbie avenue.
25—North street, corner Wickham avenue.
26—James and Henry streets.
27—North and Jean streets, New crossing.
28—Lake avenue and West street.
29—W. Main street, corner Montgomery avenue.
213—State Hospital, the main.
214—Prospect street and Highland avenue.
215—Rear of State Hospital.
24—Fulton and Mill streets, flat shop.
25—Hunt and Stafford streets.
26—Main street, roll factory.
27—Mulberry and Fulton streets.
28—Fourteen avenue and Spring street.
41—Fulton street and East avenue.
42—Academy avenue and Winsted avenue.
43—East Main street and Railroad avenue.
45—East Main street, foot of Orchard street.
46—Academy avenue and Herring street.
47—Myrtle and Prospect avenue.
48—Grand street and Sycamore avenue.
49—East Main street and Prospect avenue.
54—North street, near Orchard.
57—Franklin Square.
31—Rear before a box number, denotes that a test is being made.

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2-2-2 strokes of bell denotes Chief's call.
3 strokes of bell denotes 12 o'clock time.
4 strokes of bell denotes recall, fire in out.

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	Milk	Day Exp.	Exp.		
	A M	P M	P M	P M	P M
N. Y. Central				2 0	5 45
Frankfort St				2 6	5 45
W. 42d St.				2 15	6 15
Harlem R.				2 30	6 30
Highbridge				2 40	6 40
Spuyten Duyvil				2 50	6 50
Yonkers				3 5	7 5
Glenwood				3 15	7 15
Hastings				3 20	7 20
Dobbs Ferry				3 30	7 30
Ardsley				3 35	7 35
Irvington				3 40	7 40
Tarrytown				3 50	7 50
Philipse Manor				3 55	7 55
Scarborough				4 0	8 0
Ossining				4 10	8 10
Croton Falls				4 20	8 19
Purdys				4 30	8 29
Milltown				4 40	8 39
Mt. Kisco				4 50	8 49
Mt. Wilson				5 0	8 55
Bedford				5 5	9 0
Katonah				5 15	9 10
Bedford Station				5 20	9 15
Goldens Bridge				5 25	9 20
Purchase				5 30	9 25
Harrison				5 40	9 35
Rye				5 50	9 45
Portchester				5 55	9 50
Greenwich				6 5	10 0
Stamford				6 15	10 10
Glenbrook				6 20	10 15
Springdale				6 25	10 20
Cos Cob				6 30	10 25
Riverside				6 35	10 30
Old Greenwich				6 40	10 35
Byram				6 45	10 40
Port Chester				6 50	10 45
Rye Beach				6 55	10 50
Oakwood				7 0	10 55
Rye				7 5	11 0
Milton				7 10	11 5
Mamaroneck				7 15	11 10
Larchmont				7 20	11 15
Pelham				7 25	11 20
New Rochelle				7 30	11 25
Pelham Manor				7 35	11 30
City Island				7 40	11 35
Bronx Kill				7 45	11 40
Cedar Knoll				7 50	11 45
Westchester				7 55	11 50
Hunts Point				8 0	11 55
Port Morris				8 5	12 0
Mott Haven				8 10	12 5
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Harlem				8 50	12 45
Fordham				8 55	12 50
Tremont				9 0	12 55
Highbridge				9 5	1 0
Morris Heights				9 10	1 5
University Heights				9 15	1 10
Kingsbridge				9 20	1 15
Riverdale				9 25	1 20
Liberty				9 30	1 25
Yonkers				9 40	1 35
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Byram				1 5	5 0
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Cedar Knoll				2 10	6 5
Westchester				2 15	6 10
Hunts Point				2 20	6 15
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MR. HEATH TO DR. BEATTIE.

An an Open Letter "the Little Minister" Gives His Explanation of Why There Is Discord Instead of Christian Unity in Middletown.

REV. CHAS. BEATTIE, D. D.:—Dear Brother—Your letter in the ARGUS has been carefully read. I will not put your name in quotation marks as you did mine, neither will I insert words that you did not use, and then follow them with the interrogation point bracke' d. All that sort of public correspondence I will leave for those who like it. The truth will bear its own weight, and my only wish is that the exact facts be known.

I did not take the position I did without measuring cautiously my words and the effect of them. Dr. Beattie, why after waiting nearly a week did you not in your statement, at least refer to the "Union Thanksgiving Service"" Why did you not, for truth's sake, tell the public that the pastor of the First Baptist Church was intentionally ignored on that occasion, and you knew it? Why did you not declare publicly as you did to him privately, that while that contemptible course was taken in regard to him you were not at liberty to give the names of the ones responsible for the act? Knowing as you did just how he was treatrd in regard to that "Union Service," is it not rather strange that you happened to meet all the other pastors of the Union before you went to Tennessee, and conferred with them concerning the Week of Prayer, and happened to think at the last minute that you had not spoken to the pastor of the First Baptist Church, and therefore sent him the bare announcement of the service on a postal, which humble messenger reached him on Saturday, just before the beginning of the Week of Prayer?

Instead of testing you in arithmetic I beg to simply remind you of the arrangements of last year, 1897. On Saturday afternoon, Jan 9, a ministers' meeting war held to consider the advisability of holding a second week of union meetings. The question was asked: "Whose turn is it in the order of rotation?" The reply was: "The Second Presbyterian." Accordingly, beginning Monday, 11th, we all went to your church for a week of afternoon union meetings. You led the meeting on Monday, I on Tuesday, etc. There was no question about its being your turn and no hesitation on my part about entering heart ly into the the union meetings. At the close of the week, Jan. 16, another ministers' meeting was held. It was thought best to continue the meetings and to have them in the evening instead of the afternoon.

I cordially invited you all to come to the First Baptist Church as it was our turn "in the order of rotation." The invitation was declined on the plea that "I had been holding evening meetings by myself." I promised if you came that I would do my utmost to make the meetings successful from a union standpoint.

When you declined, I had meetings by myself and the rest went to the First Congregational Church for a week. Then you went to St. Paul's Medodist Church where the series of meetings was concluded.

You and the public generally may easily verify all these statements by consulting the files of our city papers. I regret, Dr. Beattie, that you have compelled me to make these unpleasant facts public property, but there are some things that are more to be valued than peace. My church is unspeakably precious to me, and so long as I am pastor I cannot allow her to be treated shabbily by anybody if it is within my power to prevent it. Had you taken a positive stand for righteousness and good fellowship at the time of the Thanksgiving service, all this might have been prevented. But you allowed the Baptist Church and pastor to be unkindly and unjustly treated by others, though you decline to give the names.

Just a word about the call you made on me, not on Monday morning, but on Monday afternoon. We were together five minutes while the carriage waited at the door to take me to a funeral. The only explanations made by you were that personally you were not responsible for the treatment shown me in connection with the "Union Thanksgiving services," though you know who was, and that you happened to forget all about me in connection with the Week of Prayer though you saw the other brethren, and therefore sent me the postal announcement of the arrangement. When I spoke to you about last year you had no reply. As my letter to the public was already in the hands of the press I certainly saw no reason in anything you said to lead me to withdraw it, and I told you distinctly before we parted that I felt I was taking the only course a man could take in the premises.

In concluding your letter you use the following language: "Please say to him that we hope peace and prosperity may prevail in 'the little church around the corner' and that the door of our union will stand open to receive him or his church or any of them whenever they desire to return." We rejoice that peace does prevail. So far as I know we are pretty well knit together both new converts and older disciples. In regard to our prosperity we will leave that to others to declare. We will return to the [illegible] Dr. Beattie, whenever we can see and bring our self respect along [illegible]. But so long as the union is managed as it has been since last [illegible]gsgiving, the only result of the "open door" will be a cold draught [illegible] the brethren. In order that you [illegible] the quotation marks rightly [illegible] you see fit to reply to this open [illegible] I will change my ordinary signature and subscribe myself simply:

"THE LITTLE MINISTER,"
[illegible] the little church around the

IN MEMORIAM.

Katharine Whitney Douglas.

It will not be thought necessary, nor do I think it so, to add anything to the obituary which appeared in this paper, last week, when all Middletown felt the shock of the sudden death of one who was known and loved by many; but it will be some relief to one grief stricken heart and perhaps of interest to many others, if a tribute is paid to characteristics which endeared and bound her to those who knew her best.

Mrs. Douglas had a rare nature, characterized chiefly by honesty: an honesty which contained no touch of deceit, thoro'gh, intrinsic and always attributing a like quality to those with whom it came in contact.

She had the gift of cheerfulness, recognizing it as a duty as well as a pleasure.

She had, too, the charm of sympathy, a putting aside her own interests to enter heartily into those of others.

Her artistic temperament displayed itself in music, in a love for nature, for the woods and wild flowers; every bush and plant she knew and delighted in. Her quickness of wit and brightness of mind, cultivated by extensive reading, showed themselves often in applying and characterizing things and people around her,—not always perhaps understood by those who did not know her well, but making her companionable in an unusual degree to those in sympathy with her tastes and modes of thought.

Never malicious, though led by her very acuteness of perception to appear at times somewhat brusque or blunt, she was to those who lov d her best unchangeable in her constancy and devotedness.

Friends in plenty she had, but not many can claim the depth and strength of friendship which her personality had awakened in a few. To them the sense of loss is indeed great.

Silence, absence, an utter blank: this mystery of death, its deprivation, weighs us down. How can we bear it?

L. O. V.

ORANGE COUNTY AT CORNELL.

Has Thirteen Students at the University, This Year.

Orange county is well represented at Cornell University. In the official register for 1897–98 we find the following local names:

John R. Caldwell, Fred Huntington, Thomas S. Marvel, Jr., Harry A. Sayer, Albert T. Scharps, W. H. Stranding, Newburgh; E. N. Joseph, E. N. Quackenbush, Warwick; A. D. Ketcham, Jr., Middletown; Levi L. Perrine, Wallkill; Keith Sears, W. W. Sears, Searsville; John L. Senior, Montgomery; Henry F. Stohl, Port Jervis.

SUNK BY A SACK OF COAL.

A Boy Drowned While Stealing Coal from an Erie Car.

Nicholas Kolyak, ten years old, of First street, Passaic, was taking coal from a car on an Erie switch, on the bank of the Dundee Canal, Friday afternoon, when, in climbing down with a bag of coal, he lost his footing and fell into the canal. The bag of coal which he had on his back dragged him down. Employes of the telephone company who were working near went to his aid, but he did not rise. The body was recovered at 10 o'clock Saturday morning.

Large Confirmation Classes.

From the Honesdale Herald.

The rite of confirmation was administered to 242 persons in St. John's Church on Sunday, Jan. 2d, and to 215 in St. Mary Magdelena's Church, the same day. Right Rev. Bishop Hoban, of Scranton, officiated.

This Tells Where Health May Be Found.

And that is more important than making money. If your blood is impure Hood's Sarsaparilla is the medicine for you. It cures scrofula, salt rheum, rheumatism, catarrh and all other diseases originating in or promoted by impure blood and low state of the system.

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$50 Reward.

We understand some persons are circulating false and libelous reports concerning us and our business.

We hereby offer the above reward to any person or persons furnishing evidence of such reports sufficient to insure their legal conviction of same.

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NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE REPORT

JAS. P. TIGHE, Commission Broker, Stern Building, 16 North street, Middletown, N. Y.
Stocks, Bonds, Grain and Provisions bought and sold for cash or carried on margin.

New York, Jan. 10, '98

	Yesterday Close	To-day Close
Sugar	144⅞	144⅝
Tobacco	91	90⅞
Chicago Gas	96⅞	95⅝
Nat. Lead	37⅝	37½
General Electric	36⅞	—
U. S. L., pref	64¼	64⅝
Tenn. Coal and Iron	27¾	28
A. T. & S. F.	13¾	1.
C. B. & Q.	101⅝	101
C. M. & St. P.	96¾	96⅝
R. I.	91¾	91⅞
D. L. & W.	—	—
C. of N. J.	97⅝	97½
Erie	15¼	15
D. and H.	114	114
O. & W.	16⅝	16
Susquehanna & Western	—	—
Susquehanna & West., pref.	27½	25
P. & R.	23	22⅝
N. W.	123	122½
L. S.	—	—
N. Y. C.	110½	109⅝
M. P.	94⅝	94⅜
Texas	—	—
G. P.	28⅝	28¾
W. Union	93⅝	92½
L. & N.	57	56⅝
Manhattan	113⅝	111⅞
P. M.	31⅛	31
Wabash, pref.	18¾	18½
No. Pacific, pref.	61⅛	62⅝
W. L.	—	—
Southern R'y.	—	—
Southern, pref.	32¼	32
May Wheat	91⅝	90½
May Corn	29¼	29
May Oats	23⅞	23½
May Pork	$9 40	$9 32
May Lard	4 90	4 77

MARRIED.

MCCORNALL—EDWARDS—In this city, Dec. 29, '97 by Rev. F. L. Wilson, Isaac M. McCornall, of Mt Grange, and Ella Edwards, of Slate Hill.

TIBBETS—WAMPOLE—In this city, Dec. 22d, '97, by Rev. F. L. Wilson, Harry E. Tibbets, of Hornellsville, and Ida De Ette Wampole, of Dansville.

BLANCHARD—VANKEUREN—At Liberty, Jan. 1st, '98, by Rev. D. S. Brown, William D Blanchard, Medical Assistant in the Middletown Asylum, and Myrtle VanKeuren, of Liberty.

SMITH—BENNETT—At Warwick, Dec. 27th, '97, by Rev. Edwin Carr, John Smith and Cora Bennett, both of Warwick.

PARKER—WOOD—At Walden, Dec. 29th, '97, by Rev. W. W. Schomp, Herbert Parker and Gertie Wood

DIED.

MONARQUE—At 44 Albert street, this city, Jan. 8th, '98, after a long illness, Frank E. Monarque, aged fifty-four years.
Funeral Tuesday afternoon, at two-thirty o'clock, at residence, 44 Albert street Interment in Hillside Cemetery.

KING—At Chester, Jan 5th, '98, Capt. Wm B. King, in the eightieth year of his age.

HENDERSON—At Deckertown, Dec. 23d, '97, William Henderson, aged fifty-eight years.

MCVITTIE—At Blooming Grove, Dec 22d, '97, Mark McVittie, aged eighty-one years.

FREEMAN—At Salisbury Mills Dec. 22d, '97, Mrs Caroline Freeman, aged sixty one years.

WEIGAND—At Matamoras Dec 25th, '97, August Weigand, aged seventy-two years.

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IN Pursuance of an order of the Hon John I. Beattie, County Judge of Orange county, I, the subscriber, the assignee of John B. Leemon and Robert J. Leemon, doing business under the firm name of J. B. Leemon & Son, will sell at public auction at the Russell House in the city of Middletown, N. Y., on the 21st day of January, 1898, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, to the highest bidder, the uncollected book accounts, judgments, claims and other evidences of indebtedness now in my hands as such assignee.
Dated January 10th, 1898.
ROBERT LEMON, Assignee
M. J. DONOVAN, Attorney for Assignee, Low Building, Middletown, N. Y. d10,17

BUTTER
23,
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Cents a Pound.
J. W. SLOAT,
15-17 East Main St.

ONE CENT A WORD
for each insertion. No advertisement taken for less than 10 cents.

LOST—Saturday afternoon, a gold necklace. Finder will be rewarded by leaving at the BOOMERANG HOUSE.

HOSMER HALL Building and Loan Association will hold their meetings for transaction of their business on Monday and Thursday evenings
M. J. DONOVAN, Secretary.

FARM for Sale or rent, many farms on the list, near Middletown, N. Y., which are offered on good terms and some on easy farm payments. Full particulars from
EDWARD WELLS, Box 91, Middletown, N. Y.

ASSIGNEE'S Sale of the unsold Stock, Accounts of the late firm of M. S. Steele will be held on Monday, Jan. 10th, 1898, at 10 o'clock a. m. at the office of Merritt & Steele, 10 North street.
GEO. B. ADAMS, Assignee
BROWN & MERRITT, Attorneys for the Assignee.

LOST Part of a bunch of keys, a red ornament, short part of chain, with keys, 3 charms attached; longer part of chain, with keys, one Knights Templar charm attached. Finder will please leave at the office of H. CUMMINGS, the North street, or corner Linden Ave. and Fulton St. 7d1t

FOR RENT—In the Lester, No. 14 Scribner avenue, suitable for two families, city water. Rent $ a month. Inquire of H. E. TAYLOR, 154 East 23d street

A. M. ANDERSON is now selling Fancy and Staple Groceries at short prices. Call and see him at his store on Main street, corner of East Main and Railroad streets
No. 20 North street, Middletown.

FINE Hair, or a cure or money refunded, Harry Brown's Indestructible revolver, 22 calibre, at cheap at the EXCHANGE AND MART CO., No 46 East Main street

THE Knickerbocker is in with the paper it is one of Brown's stocks at LEHMAN'S Storage House, 21 Mohican avenue

DR. WM H SAGENDORF, Chiropodist, will remain permanently located at 9 W. N. ROE'S, 52 James street, Middletown, N. Y.

STRENGTHENING PLASTERS 10 cts. each, 5 for 25 cents. Believe many a pain and ache Equal to higher priced plasters. Try them. Sold at
CHAMBERS' Postoffice Pharmacy, 57 North street, second door from postoffice.

WANTED—A position in a family by a girl 17 years old. Wages no object. Enquire at 98 North street. 37d1t

CHAMBERS' Magic Corn Cure. Never fails. Has been selling continuously since introduced six years ago with but little advertising, except by pleased customers. It is the only sensible cure. A bit paid applied directly to the corn dries at once, does not make the foot sore, does the business—15 cents. Made and sold only at
CHAMBERS' Postoffice Pharmacy, 57 North street, second door from post office.

GEORGE B. ADAMS
will sell his entire
Household Goods at Public Auction
at his residence, cor. Orchard and Main Sts.
Thursday, Jan. 13th, '98,
consisting of Moquettes and Frame Brussels carpets, Saxony carpet rugs, mats and matting, silk and wool portieres, poles and fixtures, lace curtains, shades, parlor and library furniture, couches, tetes, upholstered chairs and rockers, chamber suits, bed-steads, mattresses, springs, chiffoniers, dressing bureaus and other chamber furniture, dining room table and chairs, kitchen utensils, crockery, in fact all must be sold as no reservation whatever Sale to commence at 10 a. m. sharp Thursday, Jan. 13th, 1898.
GEO. B. ADAMS cor Orchard and Main Sts.
WM. VANSCHAICK, Auctioneer. 41d1t

WE ARE THROUGH!

We are through taking inventory, and we tell it frankly we have found entirely too much of winter goods on hand. We have made up our minds we will not carry these over, and therefore let it be known that these goods will be sold

ALMOST AT YOUR OWN PRICE!

Remember, we include our entire winter stock, and you will do well to look at our place before you buy. We cheerfully show goods, whether you buy or not, and return the money for the asking.

This is our Trade Mark.

Budwig & Co.
8 NORTH ST
MIDDLETOWN, N.Y.

Look for it when you buy Clothing.

Special Lot of Knee Pants 18 Cents a Pair. ds,10,11,12&w11

ROASTED COFFEE.

Arbuckle's 12c a pound.
No. 1 Santos 15c a pound.
No. 2 Santos 17c a pound.
Maracaibo 20c a pound.
Extra Maracaibo 25c a pound.
Java and Maracaibo 30c a lb.
Java and Mocha 35c a pound.

C. N. PREDMORE & SON.

MAGIC Cold Cure—A remedy that will break up a cold in twenty-four hours. Guaranteed to do it. It does not cause ringing in the ears or nervousness, as quinine sometimes does. Sold only at
CHAMBERS' Postoffice Pharmacy, 57 North street, second door from postoffice.

SALE OF CHILDREN'S HEADWEAR. We have a nice assortment of children's bonnets in silk and cashmere; also caps and hats that we will close out now at cost. Fancy feather sweeps and plumes at nearly half price. Look at our stamped linens.
50d&wtf MRS. BUSH, 144 North street.

WANTED—Ladies to remember that you awore off on having your shoes repaired with nails. It makes them stiff and heavy. CRAIG sews on the soles, which makes your shoes feel flexible. The cost is no more.

STRAW MACHINE OPERATOR WANTED ON LADIES' WORK.

Fine braids. Good prices. Comfortable, warm room at reasonable figures. Work will be steady. Apply at once.

Hirsh & Park, Medway, Mass.

OFFICE OF CHIEF OF ORDNANCE,
STATE ARSENAL, COR. 35TH ST. & 7TH AVE.,
NEW YORK, Jan. 5th, 1898.

TO CONTRACTORS.

Sealed proposals for repairs and betterments to basement floor in State Armory, at Middletown, N. Y., will be received by mail or in person up to twelve o'clock noon of Monday, January 17th, 1898, at the State Arsenal, 35th street and 7th avenue, New York city, at which time and place bids will be opened.
Proposals must be for the whole work.
The State reserves the right to reject any or all bids.
Specifications can be seen at the State Arsenal, 35th street and 7th avenue, New York city; also at the Middletown Armory, until and including Saturday January 15th, 1898.
BENJAMIN FLAGLER, Brig. Genl and Chief of Ordnance, S. N. Y. ds,11,13

Our 8th Annual Sale of Muslin Underwear.

3,042 pieces to be sold at the lowest prices ever made by any firm in Middletown. The goods were bought months ago of manufacturers who wanted the business to keep their help busy during the dull season. It is all made by skilled hands, and in many cases will be sold for less than you can buy the material at retail, not counting the making. No woman who cares to save money should miss this great sale. It will pay you to borrow the money rather than miss this chance of getting your share of the goods at the prices they will be marked at.

120 Misses' Muslin Night Gowns,
Made from good muslin, trimmed with cambric ruffle on neck and sleeves. Weary mothers may rest. You pay for the material only, we give away the work. Age 4 to 12 years, 25c.

72 Ladies' Gowns,
Made from good cotton, 18 spaced tucks in front, ruffle on neck and sleeves, yoke back, same story, cloth and trimming worth more than we ask for the whole garment. Sale price 39 cents.

120 Ladies' Gowns,
Made from good cotton, high neck, trimmed with four rows of insertion and twenty fine tucks in front, sleeves edged with embroidery, 49 cents.

60 Ladies' Empire Gowns,
Made from heavy cotton, well made and trimmed with embroidery and insertion, 49c

144 Ladies' Gowns,
Four styles in this lot, made from fine cotton, high and low necks, some trimmed with four rows of wide insertion, others trimmed with embroidery and fine tucks, not one worth less than 75c, all at 59c.

60 Ladies' Gowns,
Made from the very best cotton, trimmed with embroidery and insertion, 69c.

96 Ladies' Gowns,
Made from fine cotton or cambric, handsomely made and trimmed, not one worth less than $1; at this sale 79c.

144 Ladies' Gowns,
High and low neck, made in a great variety of styles. Couldn't be better made and less than the material would cost you, 98c., $1.19, $1.48

60 Ladies' Empire Gowns,
Made with wide lapels of embroidery and insertion on the neck and sleeves, well worth $1.25, at this sale 89c.

240 Pairs Ladies' Muslin Drawers,
Well made, trimmed with either fine tucks or lace; for this sale only 15c a pair.

420 Pairs Ladies' Muslin Drawers,
Five styles in this lot, all made different. Come and buy them and you will wonder how we could ever buy the material at the price, 25c.

192 Pairs Ladies' Umbrella Drawers,
Ruffle, hemstitched or trimmed with embroidery, 29c.

120 Pairs Ladies' Umbrella Drawers,
Handsomely made and trimmed, well worth 50c.; for this sale 39c.

264 Pairs Ladies' Fine Muslin
or Cambric Umbrella Drawers, all handsomely trimmed with lace, embroidery and insertion, many in this lot worth 75c.; all at 49c

300 Corset Covers, V Shaped Neck,
Trimmed with fine embroidery, perfect fitting; as long as they last 15c.

300 Corset Covers, V Shaped Neck,
Trimmed with wide fine embroidery, well worth 25c.; for this sale only 19c.

402 Corset Covers, Eight Styles in This Lot.
Made high and low neck, all handsomely trimmed in a great variety of styles. Many would get 39c for no better; as long as they last 25c.

120 Corset Covers,
Handsomely made, arm holes and neck both trimmed with fine embroidery. Finest goods ever offered at the price, 48c.

DO YOU KNOW THE UNDERWEAR WE SELL? Our Underwear business didn't come from selling common every-day stuff at every-day prices. Buy any of the garments here. If it isn't faultless in finish, perfect to look at and put on, we will buy it back.

HART DAVIS,
46 NORTH ST., MIDDLETOWN